IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

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) No. 1:16-cv-04631	
) The Honorable Edmond E. Chang)))	

DECLARATION OF HOWARD KAPLAN IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED FACTS

- I, Howard Kaplan, declare as follows:
- 1. I am an attorney at Kirkland & Ellis LLP, counsel for Defendants in the above-captioned case.
- 2. I submit this declaration in support of Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment and Statement of Undisputed Facts.
- 3. Attached as **Exhibit 1** is a true and correct copy of Segal Consulting's June 30, 2014 report titled "Impact of Kroger Liability Transfer Proposal" (DEF_CENTRALST_000016–22), filed under seal.
- 4. Attached as **Exhibit 2** is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the July 15, 2014 Meeting of the Pension Board of the Central States, Southeast and Southwest Areas Pension Fund (the "Fund") (DEF CENTRALST 000001–08), filed under seal.
- 5. Attached as **Exhibit 3** is a true and correct copy of a letter dated March 20, 2015 from The Kroger Co. ("Kroger") to the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (the "IBT") (DEF_CENTRALST_000355-56).

- 6. Attached as **Exhibit 4** is a true and correct copy of a letter dated April 10, 2015 from Kroger and the IBT to Thomas Nyhan (DEF_CENTRALST_000040–43).
- 7. Attached as **Exhibit 5** is a true and correct copy of a draft letter dated April 2015 from Thomas Nyhan to Kroger and the IBT (DEF_CENTRALST_000196–198).
- 8. Attached as **Exhibit 6** is a true and correct copy of a letter dated April 15, 2015 from Thomas Nyhan to Kroger and the IBT (DEF_CENTRALST_000049–51).
- 9. Attached as **Exhibit 7** is a true and correct copy of an Interoffice Memorandum dated April 28, 2015 from James Condon to Thomas Nyhan and Mark Angerame (DEF_CENTRALS_000112–124), filed under seal.
- 10. Attached as **Exhibit 8** is a true and correct copy of Segal Consulting's May 20, 2015 report titled "Analysis of Kroger Liability Transfer Proposal" (DEF_CENTRALST_000303-310), filed under seal.
- 11. Attached as **Exhibit 9** is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the July 14, 2015 Meeting of the Fund's Pension Board (DEF CENTRALST 000059–63).
- 12. Attached as **Exhibit 10** is a true and correct copy of Segal Consulting's May 27, 2016 report titled "Updated Analysis of Kroger Liability Transfer Proposal" (DEF_CENTRALST_000393–401), filed under seal.
- 13. Attached as **Exhibit 11** is a true and correct copy of a letter dated July 15, 2016 from Thomas Nyhan to Kenneth Hoffman (DEF_CENTRALST_000362–368).
- 14. Attached as **Exhibit 12** is a true and correct copy of an e-mail dated July 21, 2016 from Thomas Nyhan to Kenneth Hoffman (DEF_CENTRALST_000370).
- 15. Attached as **Exhibit 13** is a true and correct copy of a letter dated July 23, 2016 from Kenneth Hoffman to Thomas Nyhan (DEF_CENTRALST_000372–377).

- 16. Attached as **Exhibit 14** is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the September 13, 2016 meeting of the Fund's Pension Board (DEF_CENTRALST_000316–335), filed under seal.
- 17. Attached as **Exhibit 15** is a true and correct copy of a letter dated October 21, 2016 from Kenneth Hoffman to Thomas Nyhan (R. 97-9).
- 18. Attached as **Exhibit 16** is a true and correct copy of a letter dated November 4, 2016 from Thomas Nyhan to Kenneth Hoffman (R. 97-25).
- 19. Attached as **Exhibit 17** is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the January 31, 2018 meeting of the Fund's Pension Board (DEF CENTRALST 000448–461), filed under seal.
- 20. Attached as **Exhibit 18** is a true and correct copy of a settlement agreement and release dated February 2, 2018 executed by the Fund, Kroger, and certain of Kroger's affiliates (DEF_CENTRALST_000502-513).
- 21. Attached as **Exhibit 19** is a true and correct copy of a settlement agreement and release dated February 2, 2018 executed by the Fund, Southstar LLC, Kroger and certain of their affiliates (DEF_CENTRALST_000514–526).
- 22. Attached as **Exhibit 20** is a true and correct copy of a letter dated February 1, 2019 from Bradley Weidenhammer, who represents Defendants, to Amanda Amert, who represents Plaintiffs.

DATED: March 22, 2019 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Howard Kaplan, an attorney, certify that on this 22nd day of March, 2019, I caused a copy of the foregoing to be served through the Court's ECF system, which will serve all counsel of record.

/s/ Howard Kaplan Howard Kaplan